--- “Series of 1960” - 50 Cigars - 90 x 21 mm. small strip - scanned at 100% scale ---

--- coarse roulette - with 6 mm. *BLUE denomination* figures - *without control numbering* ---

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The catalogue lists the ***control-free*** fifty cigar “Series of 1960” black strip ***with BLUE denomination figures*** as follows:

RG-697 - 50 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on vertical mesh wove - without control numbers

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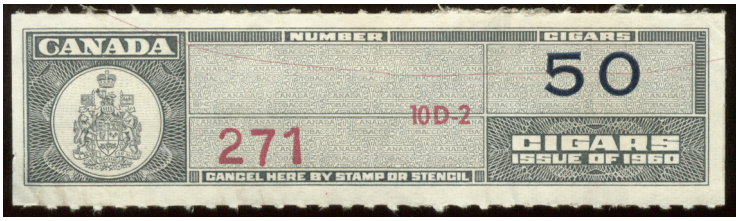
The collection also contains a *control-free* copy of the *coarse roulette* strip using ***BLUE denomination figures*** and catalogued as **RG-697**. These are the immediate predecessors of the *coarse roulette* ***BLACK denomination*** control-free strips **RG-710**, and were issued for use without control numbering in 1965.



★**RG-697** - 50 cigars, black, *coarse roulette*, with ***BLUE denomination figures***, without control numbers, cancelled by “General Cigars” Montreal - **271** / 10D-2

no controls	RG-697	50 cigars, *coarse roulette*, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - **267** / 10D-2
no controls★	RG-697	50 cigars, *coarse roulette*, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - **271** / 10D-2

This was probably an *end-of-run* usage of the remaining BABN stock of ***BLUE denomination*** fifty cigar strips, which were issued ***without*** control numbers as the *control-free* ***BLACK denomination*** strip came into use.

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